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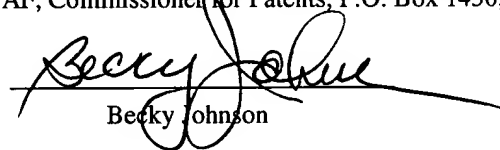
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Title:	<b>Method for Treating a Patient Using a Cultured Connective Tissue Construct</b>	Conf. No:	1042

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**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on January 13, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 5 of this paper.

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**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

**Conclusions** begin on page 8 of this paper.

Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows.